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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed March 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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I. ELECTION OF INVENTION:

In response to the 7-way species restriction requirement, applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, to prosecute the invention of Species 6, which is shown in FIGS. 18-22.

The following claims read on Species 6: Claims 1-7, 9 and 11-17. Accordingly, applicants have cancelled claims 8 and 10, without prejudice.

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the detailed examination of the Figures of the drawings. The Examiner had indicated that claims 1, 7 and 12 are generic. Applicant respectfully submit that claims 13 and 14 are also generic in that they describe the triangular orientation of the contact or tail portions when viewed from the front or rear faces of the segments or blocks that support the terminals and that the Examiner indicate so in a subsequent Office Action.